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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Comments in response to Public Notice 04-25

Rose City Yacht Club is submitting these comments in response to Public Notice 04-2025.

- 1) Rose City Yacht Club (RCYC) is located 2.4 miles east of the I5 bridge.
- 2) RCYC provides moorage for 160 member sailboats. The air drafts of our current boats range from 30' to 75'. Boats require at least 10' of additional clearance for antennas and a margin of safety.
- 3) Many RCYC boats regularly transit under the I5 bridge, with a number doing so in spring during peak river levels as they move out of the river to go cruising or racing (e.g., in May a number of RCYC boats join the PNW Offshore race). During spring high water conditions the clearance beneath the I5 bridge can be reduced by 15'.
4. The proposed fixed span clearance of 116' would not prevent our current member boats from transiting under the bridge. However, a clearance of less than 116' above CRD would begin to cause impacts to navigation for our member boats during high water periods.

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